

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1221**

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 122

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 122 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT AN AUDIT TO DETERMINE THE EXISTENCE OF POTENTIAL PATTERNS OF ABUSE IN THE USE OF STATE AND FEDERAL LEAVE BENEFITS BY ADULT CORRECTIONS OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Auditor to conduct an audit to determine the existence of potential patterns of abuse in the use of state and federal leave benefits by adult corrections officers of the Department of Public Safety.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Public Safety; Institute for Human Services, Inc.; Community Alliance on Prisons; Drug Policy Action Group; Ho'omana Pono, LLC; and four individuals.

Your Committees find that during the first six months of 2013, the day with the highest absentee rate among adult corrections officers at the Oahu Community Correctional Center was New Year's Day, when forty-six percent of the corrections officers scheduled to work called in sick. Nearly half of the corrections officers at four correctional facilities across the State called in sick on Super Bowl Sunday in 2015. High absenteeism results in low staffing levels, leaving inmates, staff, and the public at

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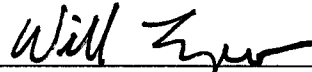
risk; more money spent on overtime; and the cancellation of scheduled family visitation times. An audit will determine whether potential patterns of abuse exist in the use of state and federal leave benefits by adult corrections officers of the Department of Public Safety.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and Judiciary and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 122 and recommend that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Public Safety,
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs and Judiciary and
Labor,



GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



WILL ESPERO, Chair



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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SCR 122</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">PSM / JDL, WAM</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">3/31/15</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (C)	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC)	✓			
ESPERO, Will				✓
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>				
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